# BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF ADDITIONAL TAXES

A Special Election will be held on Monday, June 4, 2007, in the Brandywine School District in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 19, Title 14 of the Delaware Code, in order to permit the voters of the district to vote either for or against the following:

#### **AUTHORITY TO LEVY ADDITIONAL TAXES FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES**

The levy and collection of an additional 25.0 cents per \$100 of assessed value effective July 1, 2007 up to a maximum of 27.0 cents of assessed value effective July 1, 2009. This increase includes the 10 percent for delinquencies, and costs of collection as required by law. Income from the levy will be used for current operating expenses in order to continue to provide a sound, effective educational program in the district and includes the following:

Continuance and maintenance of on-going academic programs Higher academic standards for all students Restoration of reserves Limited increase for school building maintenance

Phased implementation of the Strategic Plan including:
Full-Day Kindergarten in 2008 school year
Phased technology upgrades
Phased expansion of the alternative school program

If voters approve the tax increase, the additional rate will be as follows:

Effective July 1, 2007

Effective July 1, 2008 increased to

Effective July 1, 2009 and thereafter increased to

25.0 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value
26.0 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value
27.0 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value

For the average homeowner in the district the maximum annual cost in the first year is approximately \$173 and \$189 per year by year three.

The polls for the Special Election will be open Monday June 4, 2007, between the hours of Noon and 9 P.M. in the locations listed below. All voting locations are handicapped accessible. Those marked with an (\*) are easily accessible.

BRANDYWINE HIGH SCHOOL\* 1400 Foulk Road, Wilmington

BRANDYWINE DISTRICT OFFICE\*
1000 Pennsylvania Avenue, Claymont

BUSH SCHOOL\*
101 Whitby Drive, Wilmington

**CARRCROFT ELEM. SCHOOL\*** 503 Crest Road, Wilmington

**CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR\*** 1106 East 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Wilmington

CLAYMONT ELEM. SCHOOL\* 3401 Green Street, Claymont

**CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL\*** 2501 Ebright Road, Wilmington

**DARLEY ROAD ELEM. SCHOOL\*** 500 Darley Road, Claymont

FORWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL\*

1900 Westminster Drive, Wilmington

26<sup>th</sup> & Carter Streets, Wilmington **HANBY MIDDLE SCHOOL** 

**GIRLS INC., KIWANIS BRANCH** 

2523 Berwyn Road, Wilmington

LANCASHIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL\*

2000 Naamans Road, Wilmington

LOMBARDY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL\*
412 Foulk Road, Wilmington

MAPLE LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL\*

100 Maple Lane, Claymont

MOUNT PLEASANT ELEM. SCHOOL\* 500 Duncan Road, Wilmington

MOUNT PLEASANT HIGH SCHOOL\*

5201 Washington Street Extension, Wilmington

P.S. DUPONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL\* 701 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Wilmington

SPRINGER MIDDLE SCHOOL\* 2220 Shipley Road, Wilmington

**TALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL** 1110 Cypress Road, Wilmington

### **QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE**

- Must be a citizen of the United States and Delaware Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must be a resident of the Brandywine School District You do NOT have to be a registered voter

### ABSENTEE BALLOT

Any individual qualified to vote in this election may vote by absentee ballot if the voter is unable to appear at a polling place on June 4, 2007 for any of the following reasons: (1) Temporary or permanent physical disability, (2) Public service for the U.S. or the State of Delaware, (3) Spouse or dependent of, and residing with or accompanying, a person in public service of the U.S. or the State of Delaware, (4) Engaged in a business or occupation precluding appearance at a polling place, (5) Sickness, (6) The tenets or teaching of the voter's religion, (7) Incarceration, (8) Absence from the district while on vacation; (9) Temporarily residing outside the U.S. and District of Columbia, (10) Illness or injury received while serving in the Armed Forces of the U.S., (11) A member of the U.S. Armed Forces, (12) A member of the American Red Cross or U.S.O, or (13) A member of the U.S. Merchant Marine. Such a qualified person may vote by absentee ballot provided the voter executes an Affidavit of Voter Eligibility on the form prescribed by the State Department of Elections, and delivers the Affidavit to the New Castle County Department of Elections by 4:30 P.M on June 1, 2007. Upon timely receipt of the executed Affidavit of Voter Eligibility, the Department of Elections shall deliver a ballot to the voter if the voter personally appears at the Department of Elections. If the voter instructs the Department of Elections to mail the ballot to the voter, the Affidavit must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 12 Noon on May 31, 2007. All Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Department of Elections no later than 9 P.M. on June 4, 2007.

## PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND ADDRESS

Persons appearing to vote must present satisfactory proof of identity and address to the Election Officers at the Polling Place before being permitted to vote. Persons who do not present satisfactory proof of identity and address, <u>may</u>, upon majority vote of the Inspector and the two Judges, be permitted to vote.

By order of the BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION Craig A. Gilbert, President James R. Scanlon, Ed.D., Executive Secretary and Superintendent

Posted in accordance with Delaware Code, Title 14. Do not remove until June 5, 2007.